

Application No. 10/051,540
Response to Office Action

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Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner's indication of the allowability of the subject matter of claims 5 and 12 is respectfully acknowledged.

Claims 5 and 12 have been amended to be rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of their respective parent claims 1 and 6, and respective intervening claims 4 and 11.

In addition, claims 2 and 3 have been amended to depend from claim 5, and claims 7-10 have been amended to depend from claim 12.

Still further, claims 3, 5, 8-10 and 12 have been amended to make some minor grammatical improvements and/or to correct some minor antecedent basis problems so as to put them in better form for issuance in a U.S. patent.

No new matter has been added, and no new issues with respect to patentability have been raised.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the amendments to claims 2, 3, 5, 7-10 and 12 be approved and entered, and it is respectfully submitted that amended

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independent claims 5 and 12 and claims 2, 3 and 7-10 respectively depending therefrom are all in condition for immediate allowance.

THE SPECIFICATION

The specification has been amended to correct a minor informality of which the undersigned has become aware. No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that the amendment to the specification be approved and entered.

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Entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,



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